

Mid-Summer Fads and Fancies of the Fashionable Set

SMART RAINY DAY SUITS THAT ARE REALLY FASHIONABLE

The silk rubber coats grow in beauty all the time and there are pretty ones that come fitted to the figure and so nicely finished that one would never imagine them to be made of rubber at all. The nicest of these are trimmed with wash taffeta, or with leather, or with handsome silk rubber of another shade; and when completed and worn, they are among the most becoming coats of the season.

There come suitings that are specially for rain, but these are no longer of the ugly, old-fashioned, waterproof variety. On the contrary, they are light in weight, and can be prettily made, perfectly fitted and supplied with everything that makes a coat fashionable in the way of linings, pipings, buttons, collar, lapels, and pockets.

Storm accessories, by the way, are now very fashionable. A woman has a pair of brown shoes with brown rubbers to slip on over them. She has brown cloth uppers to protect her ankles in the rain. Her umbrella is a big brown, silk one, and her hat is a rough brown straw, trimmed with gills.

The rainy day girl wears thin, brown leather gloves and her handbag is a brown one of rough leather that sheds the water well. Even her collar and stock are planned for the weather, for the former is a stiff linen one, with a heavy laundry finish, and her bow tie is made of heavy crown silk warranted

not to wilt in the weather. Any number of small things come for the convenience of the rainy day woman. And she can select her color—tan, red, gray, blue, brown, or green.

It is very fashionable to be fully equipped for the rain instead of trusting to luck and old clothes on a rainy day. The really smart woman has provided herself with something to wear in the rain and she keeps her traveling dress and her street costume distinct from the others. Her perfect equipment is the secret of her charm in dress.

The woman who wears an old shabby gown on a rainy day is not fashionable this season, for there come pretty patent gray tweeds and thin novelty suitings especially for the purpose. They can be made up into the nicest little suits and as cold weather approaches, the coat can be cut double breasted and buttoned with big flat horn buttons.

There are utility suits of pongee that are not really intended for the rain, but for general wear and for tramping both in town and in the mountains. A lovely dress of this variety is made of golden brown pongee laid in side plaits and trimmed with three bands of brown and white striped silk, laid flat. The plaits must be pressed very hard to hold the silk folds firmly in place. There is a little straight coat coming to the hips.

Pongee is worn as much as ever and is elaborately trimmed. With one of the new pongees by way of a traveling gown, a woman need wish for nothing more. The latest of the pongee suits have very wide yellow linen cuffs worked with a floral design in very narrow braid.

Pretty dresses of pongee, trimmed with taffeta of the same shade, are worn for many occasions and there are gowns of this variety that are really very dressy.

HAT OF WHITE STRAW



The hat pictured above was a mushroom model in pure white chip. The trimming consists of white taffeta ribbon and large white roses, with natural green leaves, the high arrangement of the flowers giving quite a new effect.

The World of Dress.

Tussock silk, dyed in numerous pretty shades, including the new blue and rose pink, makes charming best frocks for little girls. All children can wear white, but some children look astonishingly picturesque in color, and a pinafore suit worn with bretelles of lace over a blouse or chemise of net or embroidered lawn is certain to achieve a charming result in such cases. For a little girl of five or so, I saw a fascinating pelisse, or coat. The original model was in rose-color cloth, the skirt made very full and gathered on to a short circular yoke in Empire fashion. Over the shoulders was worn a deep Van Dyck collar of lace in an ecru shade, while the full puffed sleeves were finished off a little below the elbow with cuffs of the same. The coat was unlined, and the same pattern could be successfully carried out in colored linen with collar of white embroidered lawn, and would, though very simple to make, be very effective for summer or holiday wear.

Neck Ruffles

Short feather collars are disputing the palm of fashion with feather boas and stoles. Some of them are very dressy, indeed, made of short, flat ostrich feathers, similar in size and appearance to those usually associated with a large feather fan. These collars encircle the neck and shoulders, and are finished off with ribbon ends in various colors, black velvet achieving the most popular effect. Neck ruffles of black and colored tulle, and other dainty fabrics are also considered to give a last touch from fashion's fingers to gowns of the moment. Ruffles of white tulle are ornamented with numerous tiny silk knots in pale colors, dotted here and there amid the box plaits.

When to Be Extravagant

The reputation of the smart woman depends less upon the style and number of her gowns than upon the wisdom of her accessories. Every season, Mme. La Mode evolves some new little trifle which she is sure to wear, the mark of the woman of fashion. Very often the price of such a trifle appears quite out of proportion to the little article itself. Nevertheless, it will be found to well repay its purchase by the air of smartness it bestows. There is an intangible chic which cannot be gained about the woman who wears the latest ruffle or waist belt or necktie. Style has to be paid for, and, moreover, a good investment. A really handsome belt will win more admiration for its wearer from men and more respect for its purchaser from women, than the variety afforded by four or five cheap and flimsy ones.

Fads in Veils

One of fashion's fads just now is embodied in the new French veils direct from Paris. A charming fine spot check, dilly veil, with hemstitched pleated chiffon border, in several becoming shades. These veils look ravishing on a trimmed hat, and on a plain hat are almost sufficient trimming in themselves. A brown veil on a green hat, and a blue veil on a purple straw both make artistic combinations.

Girlish Hair Ornaments

A pretty ornament for the girl who wears her hair rolled back from the face and dresses it low in the back is

to tuck a rose and a few buds behind the ear and connect them in a looped fashion with narrow ribbons. Another decoration suiting the hair dressed pompadour with roll puffs as a back arrangement is to pin roses at the top of the head and again quite low in the nape of the neck, taking care to set them on so that the front and the side view is good, then connect them with a band of net work something after Juliet cap style. The mesh may be of chenille the color of the flowers or of gold and silver thread. Of course, this more elaborate ornament is only fitted for some formal occasion, but the single rose or simple forget-me-not is appropriate at all times.

Home Care of the Sick

In writing on taking care of the sick at home there is so much to be said on common sense care of yourself, and how to keep well. Prevent an illness every time you can. It saves your own vitality. It harbors your strength. It prevents a doctor's bill.

Each illness weakens your system and makes it more liable to another so on. Good health lessens your usefulness and puts you more on the side of those who give trouble, rather than those who lessen it.

Every woman has a mission to fill, some work to do, whether it is in an office, in a schoolroom, in the hospital ward, in the drawing room, or higher than all, in her own home—that is, making a home for others.

To do any of these takes a healthy woman. Good health adds to good temper, good looks and good behavior.

Every one pities the man with a sickly wife. Health is the very best gift of nature, and you cannot take too good care of it.

Don't be a crank and make yourself miserable (and everyone else), discussing your good health, talking of what to avoid and what to do, and just accept it, and take care of it conscientiously, as you would your hands, or your hair.

Rec'd the first warning and profit by it. Don't try to force yourself to do what your system resents. If you find that certain foods do not agree with you, let them alone. Do not try to muzzle yourself in everything, for you will find nature expects to make sacrifices, that is to undergo a certain amount of discipline.

It is well to forego the fleeting pleasure of eating some well-flavored food, rather than pay for it by twelve hours' discomfort, or even worse.

Children should not be allowed to get indigestion while young, by being overfed, or eating, spices, pepper, and very rich food, such as pies, fruit, cake, etc.

Remove Chewing Gum From Hair

Pure olive oil is excellent for removing any matted condition of the hair. In case the children get a sheet of flypaper in their hair or a wad of chewing gum, rub the oil well into the hair and let it remain for about an hour. Pick the hair apart and remove any foreign substance, after which wash the well with warm water and some good soap.

The Business Woman

Woman has evolved beyond the prescribed "sphere" to which patriarchs consigned her—the purely domestic realm. It is not an easy matter for a woman to get a footing in the business world, though once she does get it, she is liable to keep her place. Last week there was a teacher who wrote several applications for work. Her applications were as neatly written as possible, she enclosed addressed envelopes for replies, and every application was written in a businesslike manner, concise and to the point. Every letter but one was replied to in a favorable manner, with fair prospects after a personal interview. One letter kindly informed her there was no vacancy.

Another girl is doing the work for a woman on her vacation. She had the right to take a given salary or take the proceeds of the office. At first it looked as though her proposition to take the office proceeds would not be very remunerative, since the regular patrons were a trifle wary of her work. She was not long in convincing the parties that she was capable and could creditably discharge the duties. The truth is she is so well qualified that she is getting all the work she can do, and—well, it is natural, all applicants want to know why she does not engage in the work for herself? That is what comes of getting a footing, holding there until one can get a business for one's self. There is more latitude, broader privileges, and more money than salaried women command.

Men do not deny women the privileges of working in any field of labor, though every man likes the home-loving woman who does not become engrossed in public affairs. But man has grown too big, too advanced, too just and generous to do anything but help women along, and it would be a sorry struggle for many if men did not assist them to get the footing.

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Comfortable Pillows for Sick

There is no problem more difficult of solution than how to make a long stay in bed or a convalescing period comfortable for the patient. Pillows, pillows, pillows, a score or more of them, is the solution, says the Circle. Not full-sized heavy feather pillows, but small light wool, down, hair, or even balm cushions are the comforts which ease the patient's tired muscles.

They should be in sizes ranging from ten to eighteen inches in length and from eight to twelve inches wide, or they can be made square. The larger ones are excellent if made of hair and tufted like a mattress. When the patient is sitting up the pillows can be tucked in all the hollows, and are especially useful in preventing that awful ache where the bend of the knees rests against the chair. These small pillows also fit nicely in the hollows of the regular bed pillows when the patient sits up in bed, and they are convenient for the nurse to rest her elbow or back upon if she has to support the patient for any length of time. A good round dozen of these cushions will not be too many.

The Daily Bath

The girl who does not possess splendid health should avoid a cold bath. The shock from a cold plunge is detrimental to health, and the nerves repay with many aches, pains, and unlooked for ailments. The tepid bath is beneficial, and if there is any perceptible feeling of chilliness after this, the blood should be made to circulate freely by an alcohol bath. This means filling the palms of the hands with pure alcohol, rubbing over the body, followed by a vigorous towel massage. This is for a very delicate woman only, and is really the only bath she can take without some injury to her health.

Warm milk is soothing to one's face after being out in the hot sun. The face is washed with the hands dipped into the milk, and the milk is parted dry on the face. The milk may be either sweet or sour, for when it is as soothing to a sunburned skin as fresh milk.

To Wash Child's Head

Place the child on a table, on her back, with a folded towel under back of neck and have washbowl on chair just under head. Child may lie on chair and have bowl on the floor if preferred. In either way, the eyes will be free from soapy water and the head thoroughly rinsed.

Don't Swallow Bug

Never give the child a drink of water in the dark, but have a light, in order to see that the water, if fresh from well or standing in vessel or tumbler, is all right. A little girl recently swallowed a bug in a drink from a glass in a dark room and suffered dreadful convulsions.

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As a matter of fact, most women nowadays carry gloves instead of wearing them in July and August. This practice is to be condemned. Not only is it a sign of inherent vulgarity and "parvenuism"—a sort of "Look, I own a pair of gloves" display as it were—but it spoils the shape of the gloves, and the heat and perspiration from the hand often renders them unfit for further wear.

If you feel that you cannot be a gentleman and still be gloveless, get as light weight a variety as possible, and do not make yourself miserable with heavy kid or chamois in the dog days.

Recently the writer inquired at the glove counter of a large city department store if chamois gloves were much sold this summer. "Oh, yes," was the reply, "for they're very stylish this year; but nobody wears them much—they carry them to show they know the fashions."

If this is one of woman's vaunted economies, we would be pleased to find out the value of buying an expensive article of adornment—for they are little more in summer, except in such very light materials as silk and suede like—for exactly the same reason which induces the shrink to embellish his nest with bits of silk, wool and other scraps barbaric and instinctive love of gaudy decoration.

Waist Model

A fall model for a waist is made with a surplice front and deep lace ruffles over the shoulders, which narrow toward the waist line. Instead of the fullness so noticeable in most fancy waists, this is closely confined to the waist, with a very high, shaped girdle, which must be nine inches high. This is made to throw all the fullness and breadth into the shoulders. The material used for a dress waist of this kind is very sheer, so the dainty waist effect is easily accomplished.

Another model takes the rounded out jumper waist pattern, though it is fitted around the waist and made to wear over the dress skirt without a belt. It makes the waist look unusually long and is a very good model for a stout woman or girl. Most of the waists are fastened in the back, or on the shoulder and down the under arm seam. The front is really the main decorative portion of an entire costume, and many styles are adopted for finishing off the rounded portion at the neck and the short ruffled sleeves or sleeve caps.

Veil Don'ts

Don't bind the veil down over the eyelashes. It is extremely harmful to the eyes as well as ruinous to one's appearance.

Don't have the veil so tight as to interfere with the muscles of the mouth or it will tend to flatten the lips and coarsen the expression of the face.

Don't have the veil either too tight or too loose. Unless a veil is properly adjusted it will make one look like a cartoon instead of a beautiful picture.

Don't, if the veil is a figured one, allow the figures to come awkwardly over the features, making a sort of a border, but never should there be great dots and wonderful scrolls in front of the nose or across the eyes.

Don't fail to pin a veil on properly if you would have the most satisfactory results it should be pinned firmly to the front of the head as well as to the back and adjusted at the nape of the neck with a veil pin.

A Baby Rattle

Select two pretty sea shells with scalloped tops and bore holes in them so that the two can be laced together. Place inside several small pebbles which rattle. Tie with ribbons.

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